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A GW audience views the satellite component of Saturday's 'U.N. Women's Conference One Year Later' discussion in the Marvin Center Ballroom. (See story, p. 3.)

DSC fumes as GW rejects proposals

Dining compromise is a financial no-go

BY ANNE M. GLENZER
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

The University on Wednesday rejected a Dining Services Commission proposal that would have allowed students limited use of flex, bonus and gold card points at off-campus dining partners.

The decision, made through the University's business affairs office, was based on financial considerations, according to a memorandum from Nancy Haaga, director for auxiliary and institutional support services.

"The University has continued to subsidize the operational losses to support a full-service program for our students, faculty and staff," Haaga said in the statement. "GW continues to assume this loss and will continue to subsidize the meal plan program this year. The meal plan program changes were made

to help put the program back into financial soundness."

The Student Association's Dining Services Commission proposed on Sept. 16 to allow students to use no more than 30 percent of their flex, bonus and gold card points at off-campus dining partners after 8 p.m., Commission Director Jesse Strauss said.

The proposal was made in response to the changes in this year's contract requiring flex and bonus points to be spent only at on-campus vendors. Only gold card points can be used off campus.

Although the University said using points off campus was a financial issue, Strauss said the University has not provided the DSC with budgetary records indicating financial insolvency.

"I haven't seen any numbers

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UPD picks up slack from District

GW is often forced to do job of D.C. police in a 'city in crisis'

BY LEE RUMBARGER
NEWS EDITOR

Metropolitan Police will receive \$15 million in desperately needed federal funds to fortify exhausted resources as basic as bullet-proof vests and police cars, Chief Larry Soulsby said at a town meeting earlier this month.

In the face of crippling shortages and rising crime, D.C.'s second district, which encompasses Foggy Bottom and Georgetown, has been a low priority for MPD, Director of University Police Dolores Stafford said.

Students who call MPD are usually directed to the University Police, Stafford said. "MPD has more work to do with less people. That's put a burden on us, but we put a burden on ourselves. Our expectations for ourselves have increased tremendously."

The University Police try to be visible and helpful not just to students, but to the Foggy Bottom community, Stafford said. A UPD officer addresses concerns at citizens' meetings, and UPD responds to non-student calls within campus boundaries.

"People have told me they feel comfortable with us because we respond quicker and seem to care more about residents (than MPD)," Stafford added.

Stafford estimated that 20 to 30 percent of student crime victims choose to file a report with MPD. UPD investigates these incidents, while with MPD, they are "usually not investigated and prioritized to the bottom of the pile where they never see daylight," Stafford said.

Last year marked a "15 percent rise in the number

of incidents we deal with," Stafford said.

UPD has hired an investigator solely to deal with this influx, and a second officer is designated to help when necessary, Stafford said.

"Students aren't concerned enough" about crime, Stafford said. Especially on campus, "they get lulled into a false sense of security with an erroneous belief that there's a fence" keeping out criminals.

Students disassociate themselves from safety warnings, senior Carol Dyer said. Dyer was one of three students robbed at gunpoint at the corner of 24th and G streets in late August.

The MPD officer who handled her case was "condescending and jaded," Dyer said. "He had so many more important problems, ours just seemed a drop in the bucket."

UPD needs to patrol the "sketchy" areas at the boundaries of its jurisdiction, "or we need more help from MPD," Dyer added.

University Police, GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg and the entire campus community need to focus on student safety before any more incidents occur, Dyer said.

The Student Association's newly-appointed Director of Campus Security Joanna Capozzo said she will promote crime prevention campus-wide.

Capozzo, a senior and former community service aide and escort van driver, said she will create a panel of students, administrators and perhaps Foggy Bottom residents to discuss any safety issues that arise.

She will be "someone students can go to" when in

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D.C. students to rally for city parking rights

BY JENNIFER LEMEGA
HATCHET REPORTER

District college students will have a chance to show their opposition to the new parking restrictions eliminating reciprocity stickers at a rally Tuesday at 1 p.m.

The rally, organized jointly by GW and Georgetown universities, will take place at Freedom Plaza on the corner of 13th Street and Pennsylvania Avenue.

"It is one hour out of four years to go down and stop something that will affect you if it doesn't already," GW Student Association President Damian McKenna said.

Tuesday is also the day the new legislation takes effect. From then on, students in wards 2A and 2E can no longer obtain reciprocity stickers. This means both GW and Georgetown university students will be required to claim residency in D.C., instead of the current pol-

icy of showing proof of full-time student status and paying a \$125 fee.

According to McKenna, this is an emergency act and is not permanent until it is voted on and passed by the City Council.

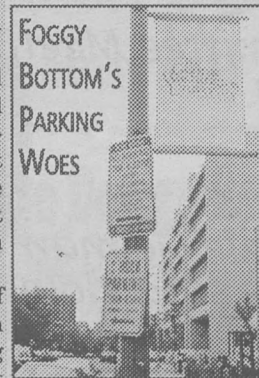
"Jack Evans (Councilman D-Ward 2), due to pressure from the (Advisory Neighborhood Commission), was pushed to limit student parking so more spots would be available for residents," McKenna said.

"The problem is that no one came to us

(students) ... we were ignored, neglected and left out. If someone had called saying there is a parking problem that needs to be addressed (it) would have been better," McKenna said.

McKenna said he is always willing to reach out to Foggy Bottom residents to solve problems.

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Fight Internet censorship; 'WWW' doesn't equal '666'

If you took it from the loudmouths in Congress, you'd think that once you logged onto the Internet, you'd involuntarily be bombarded with lurid images of large bouncing breasts, big swinging dicks and all forms of sexual deviancy, too unspeakable to mention here. Well, actually, they probably aren't so unspeakable, but I just don't think I'm imaginative enough (creatively or sexually) to do justice to descriptions of such deviant acts.

Many people in this country seem to hold the conviction that the information superhighway is the devil's work, out to increase the

already outrageous carnal appetite of a nation whose morals have almost deteriorated beyond the point of repair. I say "almost," because some people out there are doing just about all they can to save us from the heinous disaster of moral decay.

Censoring the Internet will not only save us, the vulnerable adult masses, but our children, who when trying to access www.sesame.street might make some typos, accidentally pull up www.playboy.com and could begin to do such awful things as referring to Big Bird as "voluptuous" and Oscar's trash can as a

"bachelor pad."

Oh, those poor, multimedia-savvy, virus-creating, twice-as-com-



Erik Schelzig

puter-literate-as-we-are children. How could they possibly survive in this ultra high-tech world, where the supposedly counterfeit-proof

new \$100 bills couldn't be re-created by anyone but a 12-year-old nerd.

"Oh, but parents are at their wits' end!" the argument goes. Parents say they have no control over what kids can access over their computer terminals, especially when the parents themselves can hardly locate the on/off button on their multi-thousand dollar machines. In addition, it's not like kids didn't sneak pornography behind their parents' backs long before the media had gone multi. But now that technology is involved, it all becomes much more of a crisis. Consider this scenario:

1986: "Oh, Johnny, you got yourself an old-fashioned paper issue of Nudity Magazine. How charming."

1996: "My goodness, Johnny, you've taken 25 minutes to download a grainy image of what looks like it could be a woman, maybe partially nude, off of a Chilean FTP server. Shame on you! Whatever is this world coming to?"

No, I think my mom would have given me the business either way. And it probably wouldn't have made much of a difference. My adolescent sexual curiosity would have outweighed the consequences of being busted. Today, you can find naked people on the computer in the comfort of your home. Ten years ago, you had to find those same pictures under your older sibling's mattress. How things have changed.

Now that we are in college, hundreds of miles away from any authority figures, we are free to roam the smut on the 'Net to our heart's content. And yet, we have to watch out for the "moral majority" along the way, because they are always out to teach the amoral

majority (I know the math doesn't quite work out, but fanatics have their own rules of reasoning) out there a lesson.

The Internet offers anything from "SurfWatch" (www.spyglass.com) to "Horny Sluts That Do It All!" (193.195.1.1/biglink/pu/pusex09.htm). The former is a service that offers parents and employers an opportunity to block out the likes of the latter. SurfWatch also offers a special feature that allows those using the program to manually decide which "objectionable sites" should be barred (e.g. "violence, hate crimes, drugs/alcohol, sex").

Spyglass is almost the perfect name for the site's location. Before filtering out (read: blacking out) any site they find disagreeable, clients of SurfWatch must have already been to these morally corrupt sites. Spyglass ... peeping ... it's OK for me, but not for you ...

The Internet is one small haven of free speech. The problem with free speech is that some will use their privileges toward questionable means. People lament the Internet as the home of pedophiles and hate-mongering pipe-bombers. And yet it is also the home of countless other sites, ranging from the academic to the pornographic. People with strange fetishes are going to get their hands on questionable materials, just as underage kids get their hands on alcohol. Censoring the 'Net will make about as much difference as the 21-year-old drinking age used to make at Henry's.

If you don't like something you see on the Internet, turn it off. Don't go telling others what to do. Let freedom of speech reign on the Internet; boycott censorship!

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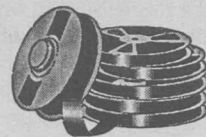
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GW revisits Beijing Women's Conference

Satellite link brings First Lady to campus

BY RACHEL SELIGMAN
HATCHET REPORTER

The "United Nations Women's Conference One Year Later" was held Saturday in more than 400 cities around the United States, including GW's Marvin Center.

A two-hour satellite broadcast brought First Lady Hillary Clinton, Secretary of Health and Human Services Donna Shalala and Geraldine Ferraro, U.S. ambassador to the United Nations Human Rights Division, to a national audience. They discussed global progress in women's issues raised in Beijing last year.

"Today we see that the message of Beijing is being heard around the world - in classrooms, in factories, in offices, in seats of power," Clinton said.

The First Lady commended the Department of Health and Human Services, the Department of Education and the Environmental Protection Agency for taking strides toward accomplishing goals set in the "Platform for Action," a set of recommendations put forth by the Beijing conference.

According to Elia Garcia McComie, who helped organize the day-long conference, about 350 people registered and attended at GW. The majority of the participants were professionals, although some GW undergraduate and graduate students attended.

The conference was divided into four parts. The first consisted of

panel discussions featuring women from the American Council on Education, the National Women's Political Caucus and the National Organization for Women's Legal Defense and Education Fund and other organizations.

The second was a luncheon with different discussion topics featured at each table. "Diversity," "Women and Media," "Getting Native American Women Involved" and "Women and Work" headed up lunch talk at four of the tables.

The third part was the satellite conference, and the final portion was an open-microphone speech highlighting recommendations from the luncheon tables.

The conference organizers "did a fantastic job," said Ethyl James Williams of the American Association of Retired Persons.

Kelly Parisi, an undergraduate and student volunteer for the conference, said she felt it was extremely beneficial. She was disappointed, however, by the small amount of students present.

"I think it's really sad that more GW students didn't take advantage," she said.

Charlotte Hernandez, also a student volunteer, said the conference was "a complete success."

The national conference was sponsored by the President's Interagency Council on Women, created by President Clinton after the Beijing conference to address the concerns of the Platform for Action.



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Call for backup

Crime on campus is a concern at every university. But at GW, we can be thankful that our crime rate is infinitesimal compared to the amount of crime that goes on in the surrounding city.

Metropolitan Police is in such sorry shape that it is almost completely unequipped to deal with crime in the District. MPD recently got \$15 million to fix some of its "basic" problems. These problems include squad cars without tires — a perfect symbol of the department's shortcomings.

Even when they do have the proper equipment, MPD's officers are not always equipped with the proper training to handle situations. The recent incident at the Sigma Alpha Epsilon house party near campus, where an off-duty officer working as a security guard pushed a student into a stone bench, is a perfect example — MPD officers can get carried away with asserting their personal authority, forgetting that their job is to uphold the authority of the law.

In Foggy Bottom, GW's University Police has found itself handling more and more calls from students and area residents alike. UPD officers now patrol several blocks beyond the edge of campus. They find themselves picking up the slack when MPD doesn't come through for our neighborhood.

For this, UPD must be commended. If the city can't handle the crime problem, at least we have a group of officers who can attempt to fill in the gap.

The crime problem is one that will not go away, however, regardless of how many officers and police departments are working to stop it. This means common sense is needed now more than ever. Two students last week had their laptops stolen from their Crawford Hall rooms while they were sleeping. Hopefully those students will lock their doors next time — and their neighbors, both in the residence halls and in the surrounding neighborhood, will learn a lesson as well.

Tunnel vision

The current outbreak of violence in Israel is just the latest in a series of countless tragic clashes in that country. This incident is particularly unfortunate, since it comes at a time when peace was again beginning to be a possibility.

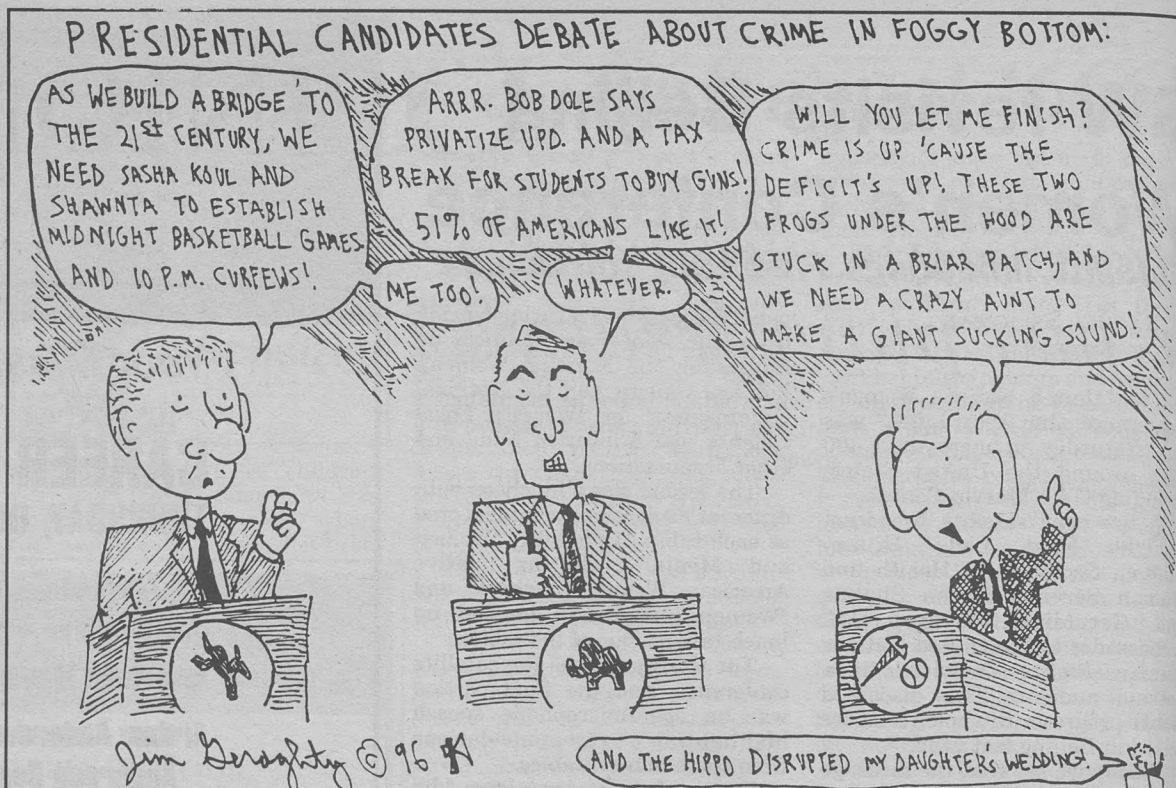
When conservative Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu was elected, observers both inside and outside Israel predicted that the peace process would be damaged. While the more cautious Netanyahu has slowed the process, he has indicated that he is willing to continue a dialogue with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat.

Therefore, it is unfortunate that he chose to hush up the opening of an archaeological tunnel near several Islamic holy sites. Netanyahu has the right to assert his authority as Israel's leader, and the opening of the tunnel will make it easier for religious visitors and tourists to see an important archaeological site.

However, Netanyahu's attempt to keep the opening quiet by having it done in secret, in the middle of the night, is an example of poor judgment. He must have known that the opening of the tunnel would provoke violence no matter how it was done. Trying to keep it as low-key as possible is something of an insult to the Palestinians' intelligence. Did Netanyahu think they would fail to notice?

The prime minister is likely trying to send a message to the Palestinians that although he is willing to negotiate, he is not willing to concede to all their demands. Nothing is wrong with this message, but there has to be a better, more up-front way to communicate it.

Whichever way you look at it, it is a shame that such violence is occurring on ground that is holy to both sides. Arafat and Netanyahu must take steps to ensure that the peace process gets back on track as soon as possible.



Student leaders say it's time to fix outdated, ambiguous JEC charter

Campaigning, palmcarding, posting and 3 a.m. election results.

They are everything we love to hate about the student body elections. It is widely recognized that the GW election process can be a trying experience for all students involved. Add to this mix the little-known fact that the Joint Elections Committee (JEC) charter dates from 1979 and is riddled with inconsistencies and ambiguities. The result is a realization that something must be done to improve our elections process.

First, let's look at the history of the JEC. The JEC was established 17 years ago by the Student Association, Program Board and Marvin Center Governing Board to serve as a detached and impartial body to conduct student body elections. Over the years, there have been good JECs and bad JECs. Since 1992 alone, the JEC has been before the Student Court seven times and been implicated in two other cases. Clearly, in its current form the JEC has had great difficulty meeting the needs of the student body.

During this past summer, the chairs of the Program Board and Marvin Center Governing Board and the president of the Student

Association assembled to revise the JEC charter. The mission was simple: Create a document that is more straightforward and consistent than its predecessor. Along the way, the opportunity presented itself to forge a new unity between the chartering organizations around a document that provided a better elections process for all. In the past, there have been many gripes about how

Damian McKenna
Rodney Salinas
Kate Arnold

the elections process was conducted. People have talked about reform, but little change has been made. Now the time has arrived for legitimate and authentic change.

It is important to point out that this is not the Joint Elections Committee reforming itself. This reform comes from the source of the JEC's authority: the students. The Student Association, Program Board and Marvin Center Governing Board, which provide the formal rulemaking abilities and the financial support for the JEC, were effectively able to make this change.

Those involved have all been through the elections process and have an understanding of what works and what serves only to frustrate the students.

You are invited to examine the document for yourself. It is available outside the Campus Activities Office (MC 427) or any of the chartering organizations' offices. Read it for yourself and voice your opinion at a public hearing Monday, Sept. 30 in Corcoran Hall room 302 at 7:15 p.m.

It is often said, "If it ain't broke, don't fix it." Over the last few years, the elections process has ranged from barely working to just getting by. The time has come to reform the process to meet the needs of today's GW student, not the GW student of 17 years ago. True change can be difficult to accept in any form. But remember, the changes before you now will create a better campus for all students. Soon, spring will be upon us and campaigning will begin again. Reform is ready now. Can we really afford to pass up this opportunity?

—Damian McKenna is president of the Student Association, Rodney Salinas is executive chair of the Program Board and Kate Arnold is chair of the Marvin Center Governing Board.

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OPINION

Piercing: symbolic or just plain freaky?

If someone had predicted the phenomenon of body piercing, I never would have believed them. Who would have thought that making holes in various parts of one's body would become a trend?

I'll never forget my friend Sean and the agony he endured in high school in the name of his fashionable tongue ring. Little Sean, my elementary school friend, suddenly had a hole placed in his tongue. The strangest thing was that he had done this on purpose.

The excruciating pain caused him to faint just as the piercer, who by the way was named Killer and had a huge tattoo of a dragon across his forehead, was placing the hole. For weeks, Sean was unable to eat anything except soup and yogurt. However, the most pain he endured did not come until his mother found out, and he explained to her that it was a symbol of his generation and a personal testament to the tragedies endured in this country.

Clearly, this argument did not help his situation. It took three weeks for his mom to find out that her little Sean did this to himself (he was quite good at concealing his ring). The only reason she found out at all was because their dog, Fritz, bit his behind and his mouth flew open to scream. Little did he know that Fritz's punish-

ment would only be the beginning of a very torturous day for him and his behind.

No one has heard much from Sean since then. Somehow, however, he ended up in the Army. Needless to say, when he arrived at boot camp, his ring was viciously ripped out. For some reason, the Army did not seem to care about his protest against the atrocities in the United States. Go figure.

About the same time as Sean got his tongue pierced, other child-

hood friends dyed their hair bright red or got tattooed in various places. Perhaps they were all

protesting, too. Who knows? But I digress ...

I must ponder the purpose of the piercing phenomenon. Some have suggested that tongue rings, in particular, are sexy (what would it be like to kiss someone who is pierced?). Others have suggested that it is a physical tribute to the degradation of this society, whatever that means. Still others suggest that body piercing is to the '90s what bell-bottoms were to the '70s - simply a fashion statement.

All I know is that in the end, Sean was still the same boy who used to call me "Smurf" and pull on my pigtails - only now he had a big, fat hole in his tongue.

-Francesca DiMeglio is a freshman planning to major in journalism.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Defending the homeless

Editor's Note: The following letter was sent to GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg. The writer requested that it also be published in The GW Hatchet.

Dear President Trachtenberg,

I have enclosed an article that appeared in a recent issue of *Independence Magazine* ("Bragg offers some friendly advice to the homeless," *Independence Magazine*, Sept. 12, p. 2). I am sure that you are aware this magazine is printed by the American Collegiate Conservatives, a student organization here at GW.

When I picked up this issue, I was literally sickened. The column is neither funny nor satirical. The column's portrayal of homeless people is not only uninformed, but also disrespectful, dehumanizing, disgusting and insulting. I find the column implicitly racist and explicitly classist. I shared my responses with many of my friends and fellow students as well as some of my homeless friends who reside here in Foggy Bottom. They shared my reaction.

From what I know of the publication, the University's contribution to its funding is minimal. However, I see this as an opportunity for you to let the larger community know where you stand on issues of homelessness. It is also a chance for you as an administrator to support the community, including those people in the community who are without homes. GW has wavered on these issues before, but this is an opportunity to take a stand and to support the Foggy Bottom community.

I look to you and the administration for support and urge you to take action.

-Josh Hoeltzel
senior

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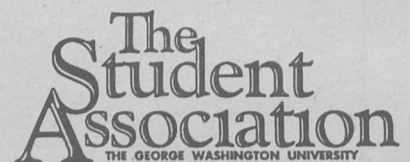
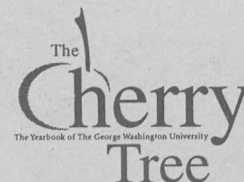
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Senate hopeful Mark Warner returns to GW

GW alumnus to speak on campus Thursday

BY KEVIN ECKSTROM
SENIOR NEWS EDITOR

Twenty years ago, Mark Warner was just one of many undergraduates at GW, but on Thursday, Warner will return to Foggy Bottom as the Democratic candidate for the U.S. Senate from Virginia.

Warner, who graduated from GW in 1977 with a degree in political science and now sits on the University's Board of Trustees, will deliver a campaign speech at the University Club on Thursday at 4:30 p.m.

"It will be the triumphant return of Mark Warner to GW," said Doug Miner, president of the GW College Democrats. "It will be an honor and a privilege for GW to host the appearance of the future senator from Virginia, and we're very honored he came back to his alma mater."

Warner will face another Warner, three-term incumbent Republican John Warner, in November.

As the chairman of the Virginia Democratic Party, Mark Warner shepherded the party through tough times after it lost the Attorney General's office, several seats in the state legislature and

the Governor's Mansion in 1993 to George Allen.

Warner was active in Virginia Democratic politics for several years before becoming party chairman, serving as campaign manager for former Governor L. Douglas Wilder and also as a managing trustee for the Democratic National Committee since 1992.

Warner, who lives in Alexandria with his wife and three children, graduated from Harvard Law School in 1980 and went on to create a multi-million dollar business in the cellular phone industry.

After founding MRW Enterprises, Inc., Warner served as a board member and co-founder of Fleet Call, Inc., and as managing partner of Columbia Cellular Corporation, an investment banking firm in the cellular mobile communications industry.

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Two Crawford rooms burglarized

Students sleep while laptop computers are stolen at night

BY JUSTIN LAVELLA
HATCHET REPORTER

Two residents of Crawford Hall said their laptop computers were stolen from their unlocked rooms while at least one roommate slept early Wednesday morning.

Signs warning residents about the thefts, which victims said occurred between 3 a.m. and 9 a.m., are now posted all over the residence hall.

"We slept that night with the door unlocked," said Christina Thiruvathukal, who lives in room 608. "The idea that someone was in our room while we slept is disturbing. The thought really freaks me out."

Thiruvathukal discovered her roommate's laptop was missing when she woke to use it at 9:30 a.m.

Her roommate, sophomore Kirstin Brost, had already departed for work. Thiruvathukal initially thought her roommate took the computer with her, she said, but that was not the case.

"I arrived home from work at about 7 p.m. Christina had left a note on my bed asking me where my laptop was," Brost said.

"The robber actually unplugged the mouse, the printer and the ISN line and left them behind. All he took was the computer itself. I just can't believe he was that careful," she said.

The second victim, Rory Haiber, said he lost a laptop, power cord and the carrying case that included a

CD ROM drive.

Haiber, a freshman from Connecticut who lives in room 409, said the computer was insured and University Police officers said there "wasn't that bad a chance" of recovering the stolen items.

"The police said these sort of things aren't stolen smartly - meaning they aren't shipped out of the country. They said they are normally pawned within eight days or so in one of the next counties," Haiber said.

UPD declined to comment because the incident is still being investigated.

"We've been locking our door much more (since the theft). We used to have it unlocked or propped open as long as we were on the floor, but now we have been closing it whenever we aren't in the room," Haiber said.

Haiber added that being burglarized has not changed his conception of GW. "I knew I was coming to a big city, though I didn't expect anything like this."

Aaron Wynn, a sophomore resident of Crawford Hall from North Carolina, said, "I'm definitely locking my door a little tighter at night, but that is it. One can't live their life in fear because that isn't really living."

Thiruvathukal said she will "keep an eye out" for people she does not usually see in the building. "If they looked suspicious, I would ask them a few questions."

However, Haiber said he "just couldn't" close the door on people trying to enter the building before or after him, forcing them to use their IDs to open the doors.

Thefts leave Safeway shoppers without carts

BY JAMIE HARRIS
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

The Watergate Safeway has lost more than 150 shopping carts to students and other shoppers so far this year, Safeway employees said.

The thefts are part of a recurring problem at the grocery store because shoppers often walk off with the carts when they feel their bags are too heavy to carry, one Safeway employee said.

The store has ordered more carts, but shoppers must use hand baskets until they are available.

"I think it is unfair that selfish people take what's not theirs and we shoppers have to suffer," said sophomore Melissa Jaffe as she lugged her groceries around the store without a cart.

Many complaints have been made about the hassle of shopping without anything to put groceries in, employees said.

"People complain when it gets

busy and they can't find baskets," said Jim English, who manages the store's dairy department.

"This has been a hassle for the last two and a half years. I would say it costs the company two to four thousand dollars every few months to replace (the carts)," meat manager Marcel Burke said.

Safeway employees agreed that

it is not only students who take the baskets. Homeless people, construction workers, people in the Watergate complex and others contribute to the missing baskets, they said.

"It seems to be a community effort," Burke joked.

The employees also said they understood that people take the baskets because most don't have cars, but one employee said "it would be nice if they brought them back later."

The shopping carts should be back in stock soon. In the meantime, Safeway sells personal carts for about \$25 that shoppers can bring home.

"I think it's unfair that selfish people take what's not theirs, and we shoppers have to suffer."

- sophomore Melissa Jaffe

MPD: Foggy Bottom is not a high priority

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need of an advocate in the SA and a link to UPD.

Expanding escort van service will be a top priority, Capozzo said.

"UPD is spectacular, but students are lax and it's not as safe everywhere as on campus," Capozzo added.

The budget crisis in 1995 hit "every District agency - every neighborhood," Soulsby said. "Every penny" of the \$15 million windfall "will be carefully accounted for."

Each district will receive \$45,000 to allocate where necessary, and MPD will buy 175 new police cars, revamp its computer system and complete prison cell block renovations to meet congressionally mandated standards, among other improvements.

In addition, each district will now fingerprint and photograph suspects on sight, eliminating the sluggish process of bringing every-

one arrested to headquarters for processing, Soulsby said.

"This is a city in crisis. We need to be honest with ourselves and face our problems. They are man-made problems, and if we stay together and stay focused, we can solve them," U.S. Attorney Eric H. Holder Jr. said at the meeting.

Congressional Delegate Eleanor Holmes Norton (D-D.C.) worked to secure the \$15 million and said at the town meeting that she will work for more in the next congressional session. "Crime goes up in no small part because money is down. (MPD) has been working under the gun," trying to ensure public safety in a city that "has not reached solvency," she said.

Foggy Bottom Advisory Neighborhood Commission member Maria Tyler said residents' tax dollars and federal money should be enough for MPD to keep them safe, without needing University help.

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World Bank hosts conference at GW

BY MATT BERGER
HATCHET REPORTER

World-famous oceanographer and explorer Jacques-Yves Cousteau and other influential speakers visited GW this week for the fourth annual World Bank Conference on Environmentally Sustainable Development.

The three-day conference held Sept. 25-27 focused on rural well-being. Topics included "Responsibility to Future Generations," "Reaching the Rural Poor" and "Resources for Action and Results on the Ground."

The conference opened Wednesday at the Smith Center with remarks from United Nations Secretary General Boutros-Boutros Ghali. Ghali did not attend, but his remarks were read by Alex McCalla, director of the Bank's agriculture and natural resources department.

"The time is right for action, for a comprehensive set of policy recommendations to realize the goals attained in our common vision ... to promote rural well-being," Ghali said. "Our common future, rural and urban, demands nothing less."

Cousteau took center stage as the keynote speaker. "The world can no longer survive without the help and total commitment of us

all," Cousteau said. "Citizens of the world must understand the consequences of, and the alternatives for, every course of action."

Other speakers on Wednesday included Costa Rican President José María Figueres Olsen and Rigoberta Menchú, a Nobel Laureate from Guatemala.

Several smaller sessions were held in the Marvin Center. They focused on such topics as "Improving Dryland Management" and "Investing in Social Capital."

Guests returned to the Smith Center Friday to hear GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg and other speakers.

The conference drew visitors and dignitaries from many foreign countries, as well as GW students.

Freshman Nancy Webster said she was impressed by the conference.

"It is an issue the World Bank doesn't have to put money into, but they do (anyway)," she said.

Webster said she enjoyed how women in underdeveloped countries were represented and liked how the ideas and solutions were realistic.

Former President Jimmy Carter was invited to speak at the event, but did not attend. Carter was the keynote speaker at the first conference, held four years ago.

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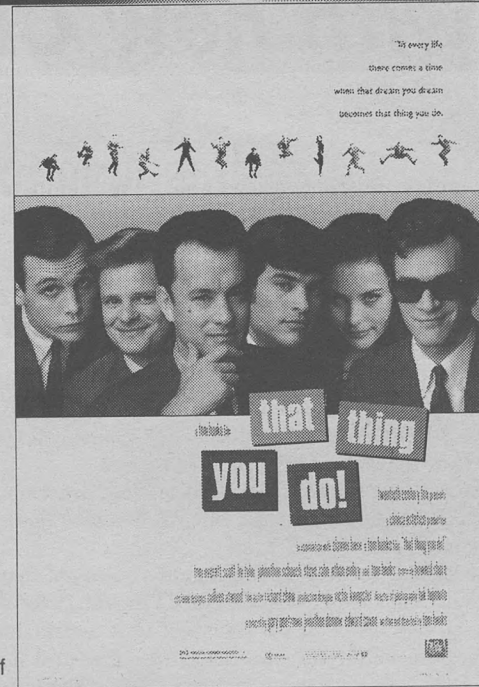
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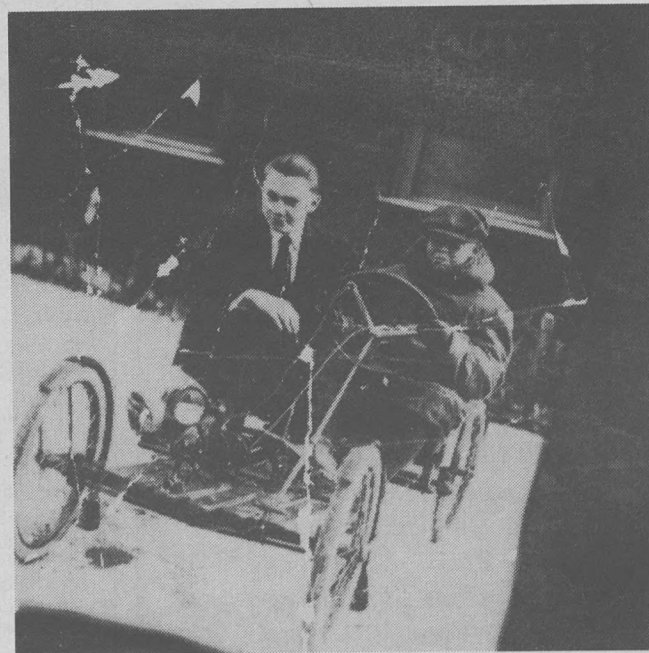


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ZZ Top: Back from dead with new CD

BY TRYG OLSEN
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

There are some common misconceptions about the members of ZZ Top that need to be laid to rest: They're not dead; They haven't shaved their beards off; The clean-shaven one is named Frank Beard; They know more than three chords.

Rumors having been cleared up, it's time to announce that ZZ Top has a new look (Zebra print!) and a new album, *Rythmeen* (RCA). *Rythmeen*, like *Recycler*, is another album for which ZZ Top had to create a new word for its title because the sound is so different from any the band has ever made before. The band has also loosened up a bit, with the lyrics and the album being more of a hodge-podge collage than the usual straightforwardness fans have come to expect.

On *Rythmeen*, there are the usual assortment of long, drawn-out guitar solos and blonde bombshells on parade, but ZZ Top also does something different: hard-core blues.

Granted, it's a first for the Texas threesome, but you've got to admire the decision to try something new. The fifth cut, "Vincent Price Blues," lyrically makes no sense but has a great slow feel to it. Guitarist Billy Gibbons has finally found a venue for his excessive solos, and it shows through on the cut. Other bluesy cuts include "Hummbucking Part Two," and "My Mind Is Gone."

As usual with ZZ Top, the first cut released off the album is the worst one. "What's Up With That" tries to take the ZZ Top sound and feel and make it a pop song, along with crappy pop lyrics. The real gems of the album will probably never be released, much like "Rough Boy" and "Changes" were never released off *Afterburner* and "Pincushion" was never released off *Antenna*.

ZZ Top can be likened to bands such as the Grateful Dead, in the sense that it has its own unique sound and has been producing it for years. The guys aren't good-looking and they don't have any sort of gimmick (although keeping several live sheep on-stage during the *Eliminator* tour was a nice touch), but they play good rock.

To the outsider, *Rythmeen* is a terrible display of good musical talent, and generally, a waste of \$12. The lyrics don't make sense and all the songs sound the same. To the trained ear and the ZZ Top fan, however, *Rythmeen* is another page in the annals of Rock history, documenting one of the immortal bands of music taking another step toward greatness.

Actually, the songs don't sound the same, and the lyrics, well, the lyrics are interpretive. ZZ Top is like coffee: At first it's gross and awful, but once you get used to it, you're addicted and need it 12 times a day. That is what *Rythmeen* will do for you: Slap you with a Mocha Frappuccino upside your head and leave you begging for more.

Barenaked Ladies duck Kraft dinner at 9:30 Club again

BY ERIN J. PIETROWSKI
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

With more than 2,000 performances of "If I Had \$1000000" under their belts, 110 shows of their four-leg tour completed and hundreds of boxes of Kraft Dinner hurled at them, it's amazing that the guys of Barenaked Ladies are still energized.

This life of singing, dancing, mac 'n' cheese-promoting and all-around-entertaining is not an overnight success story for Barenaked Ladies. The band started in 1988 with just the two lead vocals, Ed Robertson and Steven Page, opening for a Canadian comedy act. Jim and Andy (who has since left the band) Creeggan joined the band in late 1989, and drummer Tyler Stewart joined in 1990.

That same year, Barenaked Ladies entered a new music search sponsored by Toronto radio station CFNY, where it failed to win, but won the allegiance of the local DJs. The DJs liked "Be My Yoko Ono" so much, they gave it air time.

In 1991, the Ladies released their first album, entitled *Gordon* (Sire/Reprise), which went platinum in a week and won them a Juno, the Canadian equivalent of a Grammy, for group of the year. Their next album, *Maybe You Should Drive* (Sire/Reprise), had a more serious approach, but still contained the band's quirky lyrics and great tunes.

In the early days, however, Barenaked Ladies' quirky lyrics couldn't help keep them away from



(from l. to r.) Barenaked Ladies Tyler Stewart, Steven Page, Ed Robertson, Andy Creeggan (no longer with the group) and Jim Creeggan have done 110 shows since March.

controversy. Their name is what got these good Canadian boys in trouble.

"We got banned from city hall in Toronto because our name offended people. It resulted in a huge national outcry over the fact that political correctness had gone too far because they banned these nice boys who sang about Kraft Dinner," Stewart recalled in an interview before the Ladies' Sept. 22 performance at the 9:30 Club, the second of this tour.

After that, Barenaked Ladies wasn't pornography, it was a household name.

Nowadays, there's no holding back this band. An evening with Barenaked Ladies ensures concertgoers mac 'n' cheese in their hair, the feeling of claustrophobia in the crowd and an extremely entertaining time. The Ladies proved to be quite the dancers at the 9:30 Club, with Page's and Robertson's border-

ing on the erotic and Creeggan and Stewart preferring to dance like the New Kids on the Block.

The Ladies are also masters of improv. The band's renditions of "Wonderwall" and a Kenny Rogers/Dolly Parton song in the middle of "If I Had \$1000000" definitely thrilled the crowd. However, its final encore of the Madonna cover "Material Girl" rocked the crowd into a mass of bouncing bodies.

The *Born On A Pirate Ship* (Sire/Reprise) tour started in March and will end Oct. 17. On Nov. 12, the Barenaked Ladies will release their first live album.

According to Stewart, plans for the band's next studio album are up in the air. "We've thought about making an album entirely in German. Maybe a backwards album. Or perhaps an album celebrating the wisdom of Satan. Those are our three choices," he said.

Two slam dunks, two fouls are among new sitcoms for fall TV

BY TONY HILTON
HATCHET REPORTER

Students are busy people. Between all the studying, working and partying that goes on at GW, students have little time to fritter away in front of the television.

Now with a host of new sitcoms added to the fall TV lineup, it can be a little confusing for students with so little viewing time already to decide what shows are worth their time. Here's The Hatchet's guide of two shows to catch and two to throw back into the great lake of new shows.

"Pearl" - Monday at 8:30 p.m. on CBS

Monday's are a riot with "Pearl." Rhea Perlman of "Cheers" plays Pearl, a middle aged factory worker/mother who returns to school to earn her college diploma. Encouraged only by her sister-in-law, she finds opposition from her son and class professor.

The professor, Malcolm McDowell from *A Clockwork Orange* and *Star Trek: Generations*, is delightfully arrogant. He is a pompous, sarcastic intellectual who expounds upon his superiority over everyone. His credo is "I am smart and you ... well, you are not."

As McDowell takes on the role of a quick-lipped aggressor, and Perlman, known for her wise-cracking as Carla on "Cheers," takes on the role of the struggling victim, a wonderful mesh of laughter and fun is created as the two butt heads. It's a must-see.

"Party Girl" - Monday at 9 p.m. on Fox

"Party Girl" stars Christine Taylor as Mary, a young woman who works at a library during the day and parties at night.

If you've seen the movie by the same name last year

starring Parker Posey, you know it is actually pretty entertaining. The show has the opposite effect.

"Party Girl" is a boring and lackadaisical attempt to convert cinema into television. The movie's formula fails to translate well. Skip this show.

"Spin City" - Tuesdays at 9:30 p.m. on ABC

The funny and entertaining "Spin City" takes place in Gracie Mansion, the heart of New York City government. Michael J. Fox plays the deputy mayor who must make difficult and ruthless decisions to help the mayor's office shine and the mayor (Barry Bostwick) look pristine.

Oddly enough, for a comedy, Fox's character is at ease with some of the unscrupulous decisions he must make. It's not as easy for him to contend with the unscrupulousness of dating a reporter (Carla Gugino) who covers the mayor's office. It's his rapport with her that makes the comedy enjoyable to watch. Give it a shot.

"Suddenly Susan" - Thursday at 9:30 p.m. on NBC

Susan (Brook Shields), a former copy editor, is about to marry her boss' brother when she realizes there's no love in her relationship and runs for her "life." She goes back to her boss (Judd Nelson) to beg for her old job back. She gets it and a promotion to be a writer because the boss likes that she's made his family suffer and now feels she's interesting enough to be a writer. The trick: Susan must stumble into interesting things every week so she has something to write about.

The pilot was shaky and lacked real laughs, but the show does have potential. For now, if you're just looking for filler before "ER," then spend some time with Susan. Don't lose any sleep if you miss it, though.

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5.	Delta 72	The R&B... (Touch and Go)
6.	Red House Painters	Songs For... (Supreme-Island)
7.	Jimmy Eat World	Static Prevails (Capitol)
8.	Manic Street Preachers	Everyting Must Go (Epic)
9.	A Tribe Called Quest	Beats, Rhymes & Life (Jive)
10.	Beta Minus Mechanic	Beta Minus Mechanic (Crisis)
11.	Jeremy Enigk	Return Of The... (Sub Pop)
12.	Chamberlain	Fate's Got A... (Doghouse)
13.	Van Pelt	Stealing... (GernBlandsten)
14.	Scrawl	Travel On Rider (Elektra)
15.	Buffalo Daughter	Captain... (Grand Royal)
16.	Speedballbaby	Cinema (Fort Apache)
17.	Orange 9MM	Tragic (Atlantic)
18.	Fireside	Do Not Tailgate (American)
19.	Cardigans	First Band On... (Mercury)
20.	Descendents	Everyting Sucks (Epitaph)

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SPOTLIGHT

ft Carnivore guilt: living, eating in vegetarian world

BY BEN RUBIN
HATCHET REPORTER

I walk briskly through the grocery store. I am on a mission.

I look longingly at the glowing power of the various shades of red. From the darks to the lights, the colors blur my vision. I am intrigued by the organization of the animals. On the far right is the pig. On the far left rests the cow.

I immediately direct my attention to the beef. Suddenly my eyes bulge out in awe at the sight of the numerous mouth-watering cuts. I sift through the selection in search of my favorite piece, the tenderloin. The word causes an orgasmic reaction instantly.

Once found, my mind falls into a dream-like state. The thought of my incisors slicing into the loin leaves me dazed in the meat section for one never-ending minute. Immediately my thought is erased as I recall this is the 1990s.

Since 1985, beef consumption has been continuously declining while vegetable consumption is growing, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Vegetarianism is on track to become the trend of the '90s. Carnivores like myself are slowly becoming the minority in this healthy era of American culture. Is it politically correct to be a vegetarian?

I am lonely and guilty. Should I convert?

The thought of peer pressure immediately comes to mind. A trend can often be especially influential in society if it is a healthy trend.

Growing up a meat-eater

I grew up with the routine Friday night dinners that were centered around lamb. It became as much a tradition as my brother and me devouring full slabs of Hecky's Barbecue Ribs. We would attack them viciously and were speechless until the mission was accomplished. My brother just recently got sucked into the vegetarian movement, but my sister was the first to commit. I am the last family carnivore left.

I don't understand how people can suddenly abandon meat. But many vegetarians say they have become strong anti-meat activists due to their past experiences. For

example, people who grew up in rural settings have developed a love for animals and couldn't possibly eat one again.

Junior Claire Decoteau, founder of the new campus group the Colonial Herbivore, said her father was a hunter and continues to hunt animals, but she has been a vegan for a year and a half and doesn't plan on breaking the pattern. Decoteau doesn't just eschew meat, she said she also won't wear wool or silk or eat honey.

She said her campus group does not try to convert people to vegetarianism, but lets students decide on their own. Then the group tries to support them.

"I never try to make people do it, I try to tell them why I don't eat meat. I try to be as honest as possible," Decoteau said.

Junior Jenny Brooke Condon, a vegetarian, said she grew up in the country and ate meat often. She said having to see the animals all the time in the country probably caused her to become vegetarian three years ago.

Organizations such as PETA (People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals) have also been influential on people who have become vegans and vegetarians. Both Decoteau and Condon mentioned this group as a reason for their conversion.

The history of vegetarianism dates as far back as the ancient Greeks. In the book "Philosophy of Vegetarianism," author Daniel Dombrowski cites two ancient Greek philosophers, Pythagoras and Plato, as ardent supporters of vegetarianism. He said the movement was founded on some of the same reasons converters give today: reasons of health and ethical consideration.

Pythagoras said "a vegetarian life is a lot healthier than a meat-eating one." Plato, another veggie supporter, said "human beings conversed not only with each other, but also with animals, seeking to learn what they could about the special facilities human beings lacked."

Tofu milkshakes

One veggie symbol I simply don't understand, though, is the rectangular-condensed bean invention known as tofu. It provides almost the equivalent protein



Claire Duggan/Photo Editor
A shopper at the Watergate Safeway grocery store makes her way through the produce section Sunday afternoon. Is she a vegetarian, or merely a four-square-mealist?

count as a succulent piece of meat, but it doesn't have the flavor of meat.

Susan Haney, an outreach coordinator at the Medical Center who received her master's degree in health promotion counseling, said "tofu, as well as beans and lentils, are equivalent meat substitutes."

But many vegetarians admit that tofu forces one to be creative. For example, Condon said she makes milkshakes out of tofu.

One place I can still go and be a comfortable carnivore is McDonald's. Even with vegetarianism's massive following, it seems that McDonald's and other meat-based food chains are still thriving.

"Our goal is to reach the customers' needs and we have done this according to customer response," a public relations representative at McDonald's said.

McDonald's has attempted to accommodate vegetarians with salads, desserts and the McVegetable pattie (which isn't found at many locations). Fortunately, the pattie does not include tofu.

The cattle industry also seems to be stable in this country, at least for the time being.

"What the media reports and what consumers are doing isn't accurate," said Alisa Harrison, a public relations representative at the National Cattlemen's Beef Association. The association is responsible for the slogan, "Beef. It's what's for dinner."

Harrison said beef still accounts for more than one-fifth of the nation's cash receipts from farm and ranch marketing.

The vegetarian movement has certainly made a permanent mark on this decade with many ingenious organizations and restaurants. The influence of the modern movement has made me contemplate the question, "What should I eat?"

Maybe I'm not in the minority, but often I feel that meat-eaters like myself have become overwhelmed. This often leaves me feeling lost and guilty. But thank God it's America and at least I have the choice.

Seniors, time to make last-chance-to-do list

BY ERIN McLAUGHLIN
SENIOR STAFF WRITER

One-quarter of all GW undergrads will spend the next academic year with a certain expression on their faces. Their eyes will be squinty and tired-looking. Their jaws will hang open in what looks like shock. It will appear as if they never blink. These strange people are seniors.

Anxiety over what comes after four years of hanging out in Foggy Bottom can turn even the sharpest student into the dullest quivering mass of buff-and-blue Jell-O. Suddenly, it seems, the future is the present and the present is scary.

So in order to savor and enjoy one's last year at GW and awaken oneself from the trance we could so easily fall into, creating a social "to do" list is a fantastic idea. Being a list-maker, I think everyone should have one. Here's mine:

1. Go to the top of the Washington Monument.
2. See the Jefferson Memorial.
3. Start at happy hour and spend one full evening at the Irish Times and the Dubliner speaking with a brogue the whole time.
4. Drink every beer from your home state at The Brickseller.
5. Get really dressed up and see a show at the Kennedy Center.
6. Ride the Metro's Yellow Line from one end to the other singing that annoying "Come on ride the train" song the whole time.
7. Visit the National Museum of Women in the Arts.
8. Walk up Rock Creek Park.
9. Crash several inaugural balls.

10. Buy a GW sweatshirt from the lady with the card table at the Foggy Bottom Metro.

11. Stand, or maybe lay on the ground, at the end of National Airport's air strip watching the planes while drinking a six-pack of Foggy Bottom Ale.

12. Steal a J Street tray and go sledding at the Washington Monument. (Wait 'till it snows.)

13. Witness the lighting of the Presidential Christmas tree.

14. Take a canned tour of The White House.

15. Go to every bar listed on the spring and/or fall bar crawls, stopping to dance on the Cellar's lit dance floor without caring that it's light outside or that it's cheesy.

16. See the "Awakening" statue on Haine's Point.

17. Go dancing at Tracks indifferent to what night of the week it is.

18. See a show at the 9:30 Club's new location.

19. Buy a box of Kleenex and finally visit the Holocaust Museum.

20. See Recess.

For many seniors, this could be the last year to take advantage of all the exciting things to do in the nation's capital. The things seniors have taken for granted for the past three years, such as The White House, the national museums and cool neighborhoods like Adams Morgan and Dupont Circle, will soon be just memories for people leaving the city after graduation.

So get out there and do something today, because seniors only have the student discount for a little while longer



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Housing change is 'overdue'

Chernak supports dropping Dakota staff, in-hall lottery

BY KRISTIN LEEDS ROBERTS
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

Changes to University housing being discussed by the GW administration have long been expected and are overdue, according to Robert Chernak, vice president for student and academic support services.

Chernak said the Dakota Apartment Building was always meant to be a building for students wishing to live independently without residence hall staff. Upon acquisition, however, Chernak said non-GW residents moved out and the building became student-dominated. This gave rise to the assumption that the Dakota would remain a traditional residence hall

instead of slowly converting to an option for independent living, Chernak said.

The proposal to drop the in-hall lottery system was a student-initiated one that Chernak said was also past due. He said students have complained "for many years" that the in-hall system was unfair to seniors looking to secure the best rooms in buildings they have been locked out of by sophomores who were pulled into the more desirable buildings by upperclassmen.

No formal plans have been proposed, however, for dropping the in-hall lottery or converting the Dakota into a hall for independent living.

Various student leaders, howev-

er, disagree with Chernak on both the necessity of the changes and the origin of the proposals.

Residence Hall Association President Ron Jacobs said the removal of staff from the Dakota is a change supported by GW's Vice President and Treasurer Louis Katz, but was never the intended residence model for the building. According to Jacobs, the RHA is against the change and believes a residence hall without staff is unrealistic.

Katz was not available for comment.

Ryan Johnson, president of the Francis Scott Key Hall council, said the proposed change to the in-hall lottery is the administration's response to complaints not from students but from the parents of GW's rising sophomore class. He said changes to the in-hall lottery will make the system appear fairer, but will not truly affect anyone since upperclassmen will still have first pick of the most desirable rooms on campus.

Chernak said he thinks debate over these issues will quiet down when students understand the reasoning behind the proposed changes.

Chernak said he supports a University-controlled means of independent living for students who have demonstrated a responsibility and desire to live off campus. He said the University should offer unsupervised housing within the residence hall system as a type of "half-way house between University life and the real world."

According to Chernak, other universities similar to GW have large resident populations in unsupervised housing, but GW now can only encourage students to move off campus.

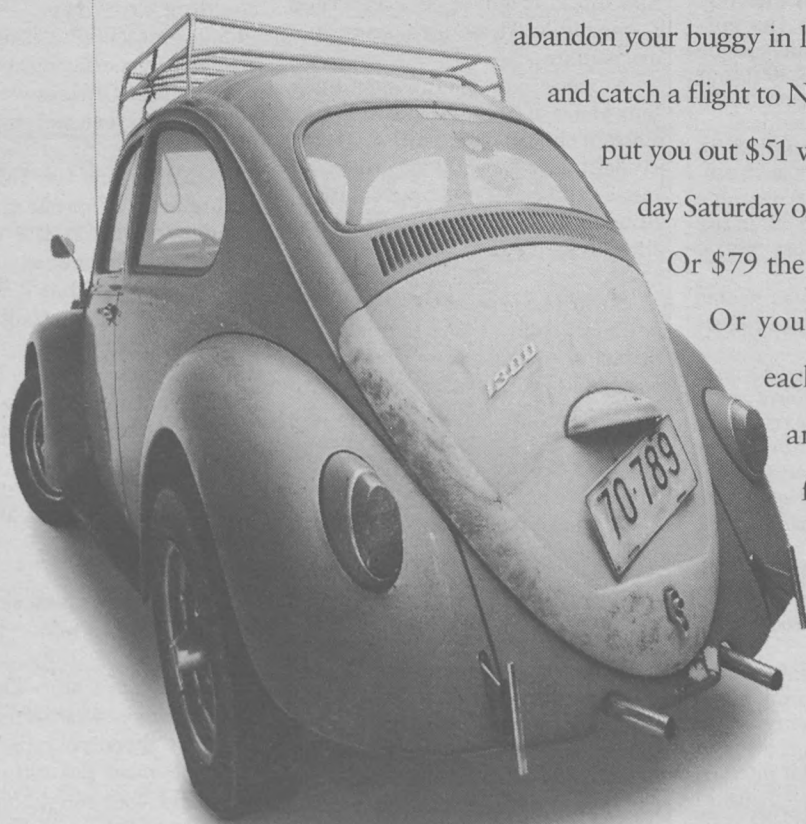
"I subscribe to the philosophy that ... with freshmen more nurturing is required and with time maturity sets in," Chernak said. "Seniors should be capable of living independently ... and maybe this option should be part of the system."

Sheila Curtin, director of the Office of Residential Life, said a joint committee with RHA will be formed to discuss the informal proposal and the subsequent criteria for residence in the Dakota. Jacobs said RHA will pass a resolution on the change and will seek approval from each hall's residence council. He said students interested in serving on the committee should contact RHA.

While disagreeing with the administration on the Dakota changes, the RHA voted last week to support dropping the in-hall system. Jacobs, like Johnson, said students will realize that removing the in-hall lottery will not drastically change the system of room selection.

Lottery numbers will continue to be based on credit hours. Jacobs said hall councils will vote on that issue as well and make recommendations to RHA for additional changes. He said the lottery, if in-hall is dropped, will take place during one weekend in February with seniors and juniors choosing rooms on a Saturday and sophomores choosing on Sunday.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Students prepare for AIDS Walk

GW students are gearing up to participate in the 10th annual AIDS Walk Sunday Oct. 6 to support the Whitman-Walker Clinic, a local community-based organization that provides support for people with HIV and AIDS.

The 10-kilometer walk, which will start and end on The Ellipse, begins at 2 p.m., rain or shine. The Neighbors' Project and the Wellness Program are co-sponsoring an event in which GW students can meet at 11:30 a.m. on the University Yard and walk to The Ellipse together. These groups also will help in distributing water and other refreshments to walkers.

Many students are getting involved on an individual level this year by encouraging friends and colleagues to sponsor their walk, said Ron Jackson, a member of the Neighbors' Project and of the Office of Community Service Learning.

GW senior David Olson said he has set his goal at \$1,000 of pledges from fellow students and on-campus organizations.

Jackie Gruninger of the Wellness Program said she hopes there will be a bigger show of GW community spirit this year.

Secretary of Labor to discuss national minimum wage raise at GW

U.S. Labor Secretary Robert B. Reich will discuss the raise in minimum wage with students this week.

The event, sponsored by the School of Business and Public Management, will take place in the

Dorothy Betts Marvin Theatre on Tuesday at 11 a.m.

Bob Ludwig, public affairs specialist in the Office of University Relations, said the topic of the lecture will be "The Minimum Wage and American Income." He stressed that this will not be "your normal speech."

"It will be much more exciting (because) the students get the opportunity to interact with the Secretary of Labor and ask questions," Ludwig explained.

The initial rise in the minimum wage - from the current \$4.25 an hour to \$4.75 an hour - goes into effect Tuesday. Reich will talk about the effects the raise will have on the American economy and about other wage inequality issues. Questions from students will be "strongly encouraged," said Carl Fillichio, a spokesperson in Reich's public affairs office.

Students can pick up free tickets in Marvin Center room 204.

MC fourth floor to receive new carpet, furniture in November

Renovations to the fourth floor of the Marvin Center originally scheduled for summertime completion will resume the week of Thanksgiving.

Carpet will be installed in student group offices Nov. 25-27. Furniture will be installed from Nov. 29 to Dec. 9, according to an Office of Campus Life memo of projected dates.

Students will have access to their offices during the work, and boxes and secure places will be provided to safeguard belongings.

-Justin Bergman, Nicole Kolodny and Lee Rumbarger

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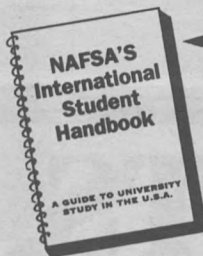
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ESIA unveils renovated home

Harding emphasizes 'people, programs and partnerships'

BY MARTINE PRICE
HATCHET REPORTER

Elliott School of International Affairs Dean Harry Harding said his school's mission is to be "one of the best professional schools of international affairs in the United States" in his "State of the School Address" Friday.

Harding's speech was part of the ESIA's open house, which celebrated the end of renovations to Stuart Hall, the school's home. His remarks were given in the hall's new student commons area.

To boost the Elliott School to the national forefront, Harding heralded "people, programs and partnerships" to summarize the school's direction this year and beyond.

In the first category, Harding stressed the importance of students, staff and faculty in increasing both the image of the school and its quality. He commended the student body's strength and increasing competitiveness level and said staff and faculty are an "incredible group of people."

With regard to "programs," he emphasized classes that "provide the skills and the knowledge (students) need ... to enter an increasingly demanding and competitive job market."

This involves several changes to the school, including adapting a series of short, skills-based pro-



Seth Myers/GW Hatchet

Dean Harry Harding mapped out the ESIA's future in his 'State of the School' address Friday.

grams and beginning various joint-degree programs with other GW schools, Harding said.

"Partnerships" means maximizing school resources with programs such as the international faculty exchange program, as well as establishing associations with the World Bank and local corporations. This would present many opportunities both to students and faculty.

Partnerships with alumni, agencies and corporations would help to

establish a network of connections for advice, information and contacts available to the school, Harding said.

The ESIA is committed to placing itself in an active position in international affairs and enabling its students to gain beneficial information and experience, Harding said.

All this will further the growth of the school and its programs, he added.

Au Bon Pain re-opens with collegiate look

Au Bon Pain in the 2000 Penn mall re-opened Saturday after being closed for slightly more than a month for renovations.

Paula Williams, one of the managers of ABP, said it was remodeled to try to give the restaurant a "college atmosphere." It was given the appearance of a coffee house, or as Williams said, "a meeting place" - complete with tall stools, a counter facing the windows and a new paint job.

Williams said only one other ABP in the country has this kind of atmosphere. The store in Boston was so popular with college students in the area that the

ABP corporation decided to make it a kind of guinea pig for a new "coffee house" concept.

According to Williams, GW students account for about 85 percent of the 2000 Penn branch's business.

In addition to colorful, art-deco walls, pop music filling the air and new light fixtures, ABP will offer new additions to the menu, including chicken parmesan and steak and cheese sandwiches. Williams said the menu was expanded in response to what was most popular with its younger clientele.

-Julie Will

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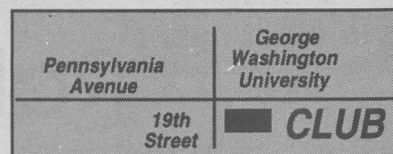
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UPD sponsors crime prevention activities

BY MONIQUE L. HARDING
ASST. NEWS EDITOR

October is "Crime Prevention Month" and University Police will sponsor a host of programs to prevent bike theft, date rape and other crimes.

On Tuesday, UPD, in conjunction with the forensics science department, will open Crime Prevention Month with a Crime Prevention/Criminal Justice Career Day on the Quad from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Crime prevention information will be available. Information also will be available for students interested in careers in law enforcement.

The Metropolitan, Arlington County and Fairfax County police departments, as well as the National Sheriff's Association, will be on the Quad, according to UPD Director Dolores Stafford.

Victim assistance programs such as My Sister's Place, D.C. Rape Crisis, D.C. Coalition Against Domestic Violence and the University Counseling Center also will attend.

The Substance Abuse Prevention Center and representatives from other campuses will also

be available to talk about crime on their campuses.

"I hope students will use the resources for that day," Stafford said.

The Rape Aggression Defense program, which is taught to females in the GW community, will hold a presentation.

The rain date for the Crime Prevention/Criminal Justice Career Day is scheduled for Thursday, also on the Quad, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

On Wednesday, a "date violence" program will be held in the Thurston Hall lounge from 7-8:30 p.m. Free refreshments will be served.

Bicycles can be registered for free at UPD Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3:30-5 p.m. starting Oct. 8. Information will be given out on how to prevent bike theft at these registration sessions.

"Drug Trends," a presentation on drugs in the 1990s, will be held Oct. 8 in the Thurston Hall piano lounge. A presentation will be given by Detective Jehru Brown of the Narcotics and Special Investigations Division of MPD. Free refreshments will be served.

GW student helps New Jersey residents vote

Junior Adam Green is doing his part to help get out the vote by helping GW students from New Jersey get their absentee ballots.

When he last returned home to New Jersey, Green picked up numerous registration and absentee ballot forms and is now distributing them.

After students fill the forms out, Green mails them to the County Clerk's Office of New Jersey.

In the last couple of weeks, more than 40 people have registered for absentee ballots, Green said.

"Every vote counts, especially in New Jersey," he added.

Students can still register for absentee ballots. New Jersey residents can call Green at 994-9424 or e-mail him at adam@gwis2. Other students can call the voter registration offices in their home towns to have absentee ballots sent.

The Program Board, the College Republicans and College Democrats are also sponsoring voter registration drives.

-Heather C. Shaw

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3

UNIVERSITY COUNSELING CENTER, Academic Success Series, Remember What You're Taught. Thurston Piano Lounge, 6:30 PM. Info? Contact Anne at 994-5300.

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SHADES OF THE FINE ARTS, "I Too Sing America": A Tribute to Female Composers of Color. Western Presbyterian Church, 7 PM. Info? Contact Krishana at 496-8451. Last weeks

Shades of Fine Arts, was a misprint. This event will only take place on October 5th, sorry for any inconvenience.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5

STUDENT ASSOCIATION, Community Picnic. Veterans Memorial Park (next to DJ's & GW Deli) 11:00 AM- 1:00 PM. Info? Contact Q at 994-7100.

WELLNESS PROGRAM, Get Away From It Stress Retreat. Marvin Center 414, 10:00 AM- 3:00 PM. Info? Contact Jacci at 994-8000.

STUDENT ASSOCIATION, Foggy Bottom Tours. Visitor's Center, 11:30 AM. Info? Contact Q at 994-7100.

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GW and GU invite residents, politicians to parking rally

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"If there is a problem with GW," McKenna said, "we hope the (District government) would come to us and not pass laws against us before addressing the problem without us."

The point of the rally is to "achieve better dialogue between students and the city and fix

things (so there is) no more animosity against us. These things are driving a wedge between GW and the community," McKenna said.

The Student Association, along with President Jackie Shapiro of Georgetown's student government, has invited many key government figures in the District. Letters

were sent to the offices of Evans, Mayor Marion Barry, Advisory Neighborhood Commission members, the media and various representatives and councilmembers.

"Most offices are sending out representatives," McKenna said.

Student and government figures also will speak.

"We want to show ourselves as

articulate, organized students," McKenna said. "We want to start the ball rolling and talk about the real issues."

Junior Mike Marcella lives in an Arlington, Va., apartment and relies on his car to get to class, he said.

"The car is my mom's and under her name. It's not fair for the government to force individuals to register a car in the District, especially when the owner doesn't want you to," Marcella said.

"Originally, the act was to be passed for the entire District,"

McKenna said. "Singling out 2A and 2E is unconstitutional."

Students outside 2A and 2E will have the parking fee doubled to \$250, but will not lose reciprocity privileges.

Students from Catholic, American and Howard universities have been contacted as well. All institutions are expected to show support at the rally.

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Strauss says his plan would save GW money

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that say Dining Services operates at a loss. I haven't seen numbers that tell me that the University is subsidizing the meal plan," Strauss said.

The GW Hatchet was unable to reach Haaga for comment.

The compromise would have maintained Dining Services' financial solvency, Strauss said, adding that student satisfaction in the meal plan leads to increased enrollment and more revenue.

Strauss' proposal claimed the compromise would bring gold card revenue spent off campus back on campus. Strauss said that under the current system, students supplement their meal plans with gold card points and "perhaps spend upwards of 50 percent for their gold points off-campus, thus putting a large drain on Dining Services."

He said that number represents "a fair approximation" and that actual numbers were not known. Under the DSC proposal, students would be limited to using Gold Points off campus only during cer-

tain hours, easing the financial burden. Moreover, more students would use their Gold Points on campus during the restricted times.

The University, through the business affairs office, did not offer an alternative to Dining Service's proposal, claiming in the Sept. 24 memo, "the switch of off-campus participation from all points to only gold card points, but with extended hours, was a 'compromise' reached during the development of the current meal plan program."

The original University proposal, made last spring, would have eliminated off-campus use of flex and bonus points and restricted gold card use to certain times.

Haaga, in the memo, invited the Dining Services Commission to meet with the University to review and discuss meal plan specifics and how they compare with other similar schools in GW's market.

Strauss said he will pursue the issue with the University at a meeting Monday.

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SPORTS

Colonial Women claim two A-10 blow-out wins

GW stays undefeated in conference

BY DUSTIN GOUKER
HATCHET SPORTS REPORTER

The GW women's soccer team remained undefeated in Atlantic 10 conference play this weekend after blowing out conference opponents La Salle and Duquesne.

GW 5, Duquesne 0

Chemar Smith's two goals paced the Colonial Women as they shut out Duquesne Sunday at South Riding Field.

The win was the fourth straight for GW, which improved its record to 5-3 on the season. The Colonial Women could not have picked a better time to be playing solid soccer, according to head coach Shannon Higgins-Cirovski.

"The girls come out really focused for all of our A-10 games, and these are the key games of the season for us," Higgins-Cirovski said. "We have all of our regional opponents coming up."

The team is in the middle of a six-game homestand in which every game will be important. Next up is James Madison Wednesday, which will be a tune-up for a showdown with No. 12-ranked conference rival Massachusetts.

GW came out focused and firing from the start against Duquesne, hitting 15 shots on goal in the first half and 20 on goal for the game, while the Colonial Women's defense limited the Lady Dukes to just three shots in 90 minutes of play.

Smith led off the scoring in the 7th minute when she battled her

way through much of Duquesne's defense to score an unassisted goal. Then Jane Anderson scored on a point-blank shot from the left side off an assist from Kristin Robertson before Smith netted her second goal at the 37-minute mark to give GW a 3-0 lead.

GW tacked on two more goals in the second half, one by senior Vicky Brunt and the other by reigning A-10 player of the week Tanya Vogel. Vogel scored her goal when she went one-on-one with a Duquesne player on the left side of the goal, kicked the ball between the defender's legs and scored easily on Duquesne goalkeeper Kelly O'Neill.

"My sister (Jennifer Vogel) told me to take it to her, and I just did it," Vogel said. "It doesn't happen very often that you get the chance to do that."

GW 7, La Salle 1

The Colonial Women scored six first-half goals and badly outclassed La Salle Friday in Philadelphia.

Smith and Anderson led the offensive outburst for GW, as they both registered two goals and one assist for the game. GW recorded 17 shots on goal to La Salle's two, continuing a trend that has seen the Colonial Women's offense dominate opposing teams.

"We're not allowing as many shots, and at the same time I think we've been the superior team in both matches (at La Salle and against Duquesne) by a long shot," Higgins-Cirovski said.

GW harriers finish strong in Mount St. Mary's race

BY KRISTIAN HOUSE
HATCHET SPORTS WRITER

The GW men's cross-country team finished second and the women's team finished fifth in the Mount St. Mary's Invitational Saturday in Emmitsburg, Md.

John Hammond's time of 26:14.40 left him with a second place finish in the 139-runner event. Jason Weber finished fourth with a time of 26:26.10. Hammond's time and standing were improvements over his finish at last week's Moven Park Cross Country Invitational.

Eric Brousseau finished 12th with a time of 26:53.80, followed by Jeff McCarthy, who finished 32nd with a time of 27:27.56. These finishers, along with Hammond and Weber, were the only GW runners to finish in the top 40.

Other GW competitors in this event were Dan Uriano, Tim Assal, Zac Halm, Zac Grunko, Geoff Craig, Kyu Rhee, Kirk Merritt, Mike Fedison and Josh Wetmore.

Shippensburg State finished first overall in the men's race, with 14 runners placing in the top 40.

Lauren Edwards finished the women's 5,000-meter in third place with a time of 18:46.00, mak-

ing her the highest GW finisher for the second week in a row. Bridget Quenzer improved from last week's race by finishing in fourth place with a time of 18:56.80.

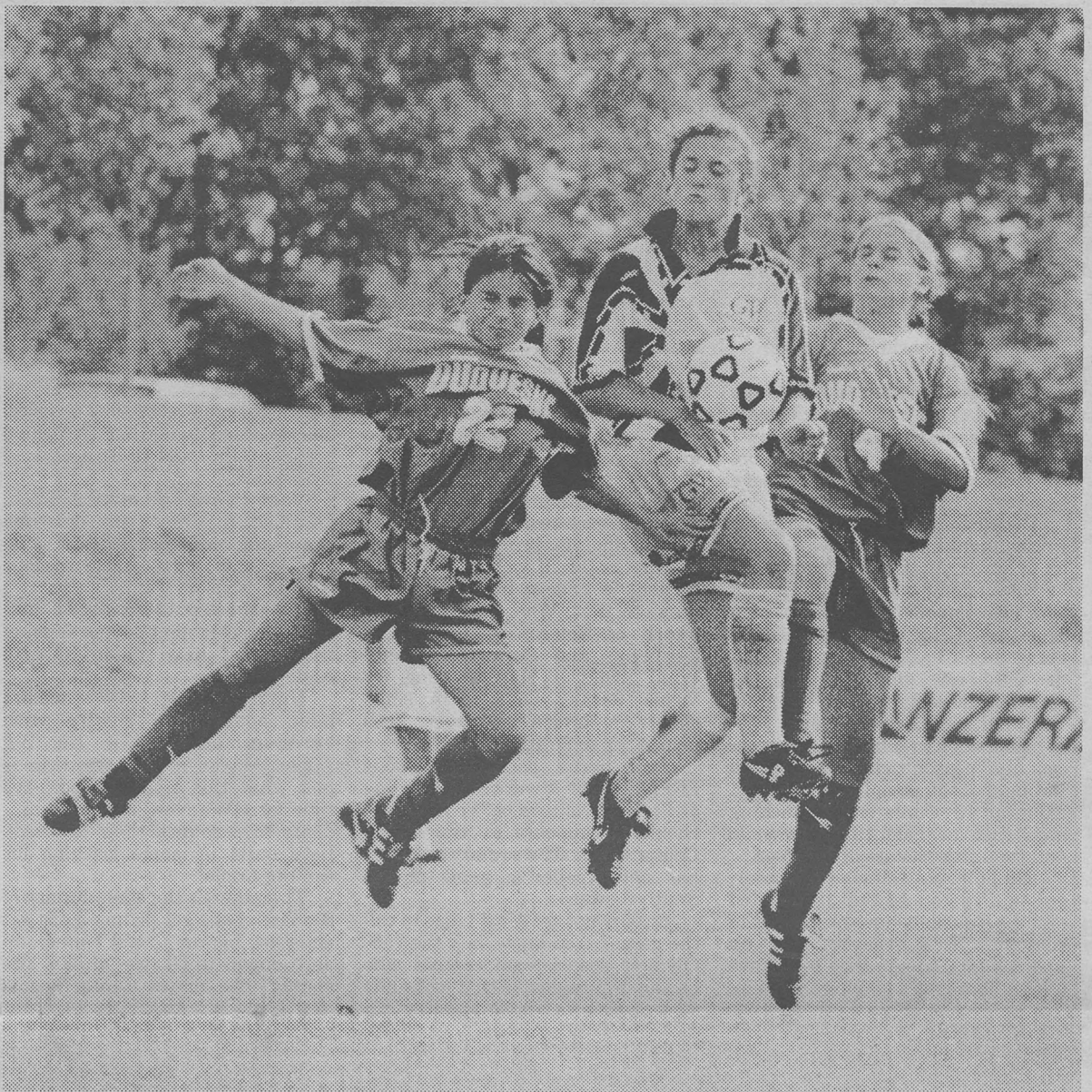
The third GW runner to finish was Amanda Roebel with a time of 20:00.70 and an 18th place standing. Coming in 32nd was Jen Geiger with a time of 20:27.10. Lisa Faia and Courtney Bellows followed their teammates with 38th- and 42nd-place finishes, respectfully.

Mount St. Mary's took first overall in the women's race, which featured 146 runners.

GW runners Brooke Warner, Nikki Hutt, Nicole Hohler, Tarra Short, Rebecca Ottke and Sarah Rozensky also participated in the event.

GW head coach Greg Coan said he was pleased with the results on Saturday. He said that "both the men's and women's teams competed well on the whole," but stressed that "we are going to need our third through ninth runners to move up if we want to beat our (Atlantic 10 Conference) competition."

The GW cross-country teams will next compete Oct. 12 at the University of Maryland Invitational in College Park, Md.



Tanya Vogel (center) scored once in GW's 5-0 win over Duquesne Sunday. She was the A-10 player of the week last week.

Tyson Trish/Visuals Editor

Men's soccer drops first two A-10 matches to La Salle, Fordham

BY DAVE MANN
HATCHET SPORTS WRITER

Disappointment marked the first weekend of Atlantic 10 Conference play for the GW men's soccer team, as the Colonials lost their first two conference matches at La Salle and Fordham.

The two losses were mirror images of each other, as GW came out strong early on, taking 1-0 leads in both games. However, the Colonials could not hold the lead in either match, giving up four straight goals to both La Salle and Fordham.

The Colonials are 0-2 in the A-10, 5-4 overall.

Fordham 4, GW 2

Fordham's John Wolyniec scored two second half goals only 35 seconds apart Sunday as the Rams handed the Colonials a 4-2 defeat.

Wolyniec's second goal in the 88th minute put the game away, giving Fordham a commanding 4-1 lead. GW got back within two goals when the Rams accidentally knocked the ball into their own goal.

GW controlled the game early on, outshooting the Rams 6-3 in the first half. The Colonials opened the scoring in the third minute, as

junior transfer Omar Sigtryggsson headed in his second goal of the season to give GW an early 1-0 lead.

Fordham struck for two quick goals late in the first half, as Sal Leanti scored on a penalty shot at 38:07 to tie the game. One minute later, Robert Zulich scored to give the Rams a 2-1 lead at halftime.

GW's first half momentum was lost and the Colonials were eventually outshot 12-10 on the day.

La Salle 4, GW 2

Cesidio Colasante scored three goals as the Explorers beat GW

Friday in the opening A-10 game for both teams.

Tamir Young gave GW a 1-0 lead in the seventh minute, scoring his first goal of the season. But it was a lead the Colonials could not hold, as Colasante scored his first goal at the 14:45 mark to tie the game. The La Salle junior struck again in the 24th minute, and Ken Keim gave the Explorers a 3-1 lead when he scored in the 29th minute.

Colasante got the hat trick in the 67th minute, giving La Salle a 4-1 lead. Ben Ferry got a goal back for GW in the 70th minute, but it was too little too late for the Colonials.



Claire Duggan/Photo Editor

The GW men's soccer team dropped its first two A-10 games.

SPORTS

View from the Cheap Seats

GW athletic department can learn from MLS' D.C. United

MEMORANDUM

To: GW Athletic Department
 From: Jim Geraghty, Hatchet
 Special Projects Editor
 Re: Upcoming basketball season

As you may have noticed, the inaugural season of Major League Soccer has reached the playoffs, just a little more than a month before the college basketball season begins.

I went to the D.C. United game Friday night and came away with a lot of lessons that could benefit GW.

Now, I know you folks in the athletic department have a bit of a problem putting fannies in the seats for women's basketball games and for the men's games that aren't against Massachusetts or Virginia Tech. For some reason, season ticket holders don't realize that the concept of a "season ticket" is to attend throughout the season, even against Atlantic 10 Conference punching bags such as Duquesne, La Salle and the Little Sisters of the Poor.

But I digress. After careful observation, I've noticed that the United and the Colonials have quite a bit in common. First, they're both on ESPN a lot. Second, they both have a lot of foreigners playing for them.

So here's how we boost attendance.

Nationalism has flourished at United games. I saw Bolivian, Argentinean and El Salvadoran flags in the United stands. United coach Bruce Arena credits these communities for a chunk of the team's support.

"We've gotten major support from the Hispanic community, who love to see soccer," he said before Friday's game. "This is the third largest soccer market in the country.... We've exceeded expectations."

It's time to bring that to the Smith Center. If we're the United Nations of college basketball, let's promote that. Why don't we get a bunch of Belorussian, Nigerian, Quebeçois and Portuguese flags? What about a Yugoslav flag for Vesna Perak? Let's learn some chants in foreign languages. Let's hear it for separatism!

And here's something about ESPN. I know it will be a warm day at St. Bonaventure before the great Dickie V. appears at the Smith Center. (Fact: The squinty bald guy has never called a game at the Smith Center.)

So why not get Alexi Lalas to call the game? (You know, he's the U.S. Olympic soccer team captain who has an orange goatee that looks like

Don King's hair upside down.) Lalas is calling games for ESPN since his New England Revolution didn't make the eight-team playoffs.

In addition to getting Lalas to call the game, he could perform the National Anthem, too. I know James Cheeks was pretty good last year, but Lalas' band, The Gypsies, has recorded two CDs. He'll help bring out Thurston Hall's deadhead contingent.

Then there's the matter of geographical rivalries. After only one year, the Metrostars and the United hate each other. In four regular season games, the two teams collected 133 fouls, 25 cautions, one ejection and one spitting that would have made Roberto Alomar proud.

Unfortunately, GW doesn't have nearly the rivalry with Fordham, our foes in the Big Apple. Maybe a little spitting is just what this rivalry needs. It's time for GW's New York-area students to renounce their heritage. Let's build up some loathing for the Big Apple!

Then there's the sheer lunacy of the fans. Let's get drums. Let's get whistles, banners, and bounce up and down until we shake the stands. The Smith Center seems



Rowdy D.C. United fans heckle the New York/New Jersey Metrostars in Friday's playoff game.

structurally sound.

Arena credited the United's win to the 21,442 fans who shook RFK. "The crowd certainly helped. We need them out here Wednesday. It makes a difference," he said.

Of course, GW will not want to emulate some things about United games. We should not ditch our mascot. Ours is the first president. The United have an eerily Third Reichian eagle. I'll take the father of our country over a symbol of der fatherland any day.

Anyway, maybe not all these

ideas will work. But GW has tournament-ready teams and can't fill the cheap seats all season. D.C. United has spent one building up a fan base. Let's learn from the best.

By the way, the third and deciding game in the series with New York/New Jersey Metrostars is Wednesday night, and tickets are still available. Call (703) 46600 for details. The game's RFK. You know, where the GW soccer teams used to play.

—Jim Geraghty

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Money takes NFL down the wrong path

A problem is running rampant through the National Football League these days. It is called money. Money is ruining once-proud franchises and taking these same teams down into the depths of mediocrity. It has made the term "take one for the team" obsolete.

Take the Jets, for example. On paper, the Jets are not really that bad. Neil O'Donnell is a decent quarterback, and the receivers are solid, especially with the addition of Keyshawn Johnson.

So why can't the Jets beat a team as bad as the Giants? Money. O'Donnell makes \$5 million a year. Do you really believe O'Donnell would risk a third and long scramble for a first down, only to have his Achilles tendon ruptured? Nope. He'll sit in the pocket and wait for a receiver — no matter how well the receivers are covered — and, well let's face it, no offensive line is that good.

The Cowboys are another great example of how money ruins a team. Sure, they've had the most talented team money could buy the last two years, but upon further review, they don't have it anymore.

The Cowboys have lost nearly half the starters from last year's Super Bowl team. Jerry Jones has the George Steinbrenner-like mentality of overpaying a few great players (Deion Sanders, for example) in hopes of buying a winner. What Jones fails to realize is that Jimmy Johnson developed a bunch of hungry but not so talented players into world champs. He didn't buy overpaid free agents to get to the Super Bowl.

The reason why Barry Switzer in Dallas and Rich Kotite in New York are both in jeopardy of losing their jobs is that they can't scare their players into greatness anymore. A coach will intimidate a player into playing their best, or else they lose their job.

But when you pay high free-agent prices for mediocre talent, you can't get rid of the bad seeds because they are too valuable to the franchise. Coaches aren't motivators anymore, they're coordinators.

If the Falcons' Jeff George yelled at Vince Lombardi the way he yelled at June Jones last week, Lombardi would have kicked his ass all the way back to the cradle, where he belongs.

Nike has these new TV ads featuring the Ghost of Lombardi, who has come back at the right time to save the NFL. Money talks, but it shouldn't on a football field. Save us, coach Lombardi. Save us.

—Tryg Olsen



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GW volleyball head coach Susie Homan (l.) sees good things for her team despite its slow start.

Homan stays confident

Veteran coach has learned to keep her cool

BY JONATHAN RIBA
HATCHET SPORTS REPORTER

Although the GW women's volleyball team has been far from overpowering this season, head coach Susie Homan said she remains optimistic and eagerly awaits the challenges ahead of her.

The team may be going through some trying times, but Homan will always have a solid grip on her coaching philosophy.

Homan is second only to GW Athletic Hall of Fame head coach Dr. Pat Sullivan (1978-86) in wins at GW with 151. Sullivan's record stands at 289 wins.

Part of the problem with the 5-9 Colonial Women this year is that nine of the 12 players on the team are freshmen or sophomores. Homan has not found fault with the team's effort, however. The experienced coach has faith in this season's young team.

"Our team is extremely hard-working and disciplined. At this point, we need to become more competitive," Homan said.

After three-straight Atlantic 10 Conference titles and NCAA appearances, one might expect to see Homan react to the mounting losses this year by yelling and screaming from the sidelines. That has not been the case.

Homan has remained calm and cool throughout the matches. She has learned, through the years, to control her emotions and concentrate on giving solid advice. "I play the role as needed. Screaming at the girls is not beneficial. Giving proper information is," Homan said.

Homan believes that as the sport of volleyball continues to grow, the coaches must, in turn, become more flexible.

"A coach must realize that they

have an incredible responsibility on how they impact an athlete's life. They must direct them in a positive manner," she said. "You could either make or break an individual based on how you treat them."

Homan's personality can be seen through her team when it plays. "The team represents the staff and me. When they step on the floor, they want to win."

If that's the case, then perhaps more people should study her personality, because during the last three years, her record was an amazing 90-18. She has clearly communicated and connected with her players in the right way.

After more than six seasons and a current record of 151-81, Homan said she will continue to coach. However, if the right situation came up, she said she might consider moving into an athletic administration position.

For now, though, she is happy coaching and being at GW. And that suits everybody just fine.

Colonial Women stumble at Va. Tech

BY ADAM WILLIS
HATCHET SPORTS WRITER

The GW women's volleyball team suffered another setback on the road this weekend, falling to Virginia Tech in straight games 15-10, 15-6, 17-15.

Errors continued to dog the Colonial Women in all facets of their play and once again made the difference in the match.

After falling behind two games to none, GW fought gamely to stay in the match, extending the Lady Hokies in the final set. Down 14-9 and facing match point, the Colonial Women responded.

"We competed with an intensity I haven't seen since (the Sept. 13 match against William and Mary)," GW head coach Susie Homan said.

Although Virginia Tech's lead evaporated, the Lady Hokies came back to score the match's final two points and escape with the victory.

The match's first two games showed a troubling trend for GW, as the team stayed close with the Lady Hokies for much of the game before falling apart late.

"A couple of errors really snowballed on us," Homan said.

Service errors and inaccurate hitting made the Colonial Women their own worst enemy for yet

another match. GW out-killed the Hokies 43-29, but committed 29 errors in 105 attempts to finish with a low .133 hitting percentage. Virginia Tech had only 18 errors in 92 attempts for a .228 hitting percentage.

The Colonial Women failed 14 times to serve the ball into play, as opposed to five aces and only four service mistakes made by Virginia Tech. GW also committed eight return errors and five blocking errors. The Lady Hokies countered with five return errors and just one blocking error.

Sophomore Crystal Akens led GW with a match-high 14 kills and added six digs. Senior Anna Krimmel knocked in 12 of 23 attempts and led the team with a .348 hitting percentage. Sophomore Tai Bethune paced for the Colonial Women in the digs department with nine. Continuing to add to her school record, senior Kate Haubenreich contributed a match-high 36 assists.

The 5-9 Colonial Women return home next weekend for two matches against the Atlantic 10 Conference's Ohio contingent. GW takes on Xavier at 7:30 Friday night and Dayton at 6 p.m. Saturday.



Jay Crystal/GW Hatchet

Kate Haubenreich and the GW volleyball team lost in straight sets to Virginia Tech Friday.

SPORTS BRIEFS

McKeown moves into nation's top 20

GW women's basketball head coach Joe McKeown has moved up among the top 20 coaches in the country based on winning percentage. The NCAA, which released the updated statistics Thursday, lists McKeown at 19th among active coaches with a .738 winning percentage.

McKeown was ranked 22nd prior to last season, but was boosted by his team's 26-7 mark, the Colonial Women's sixth consecutive 20-win season. Last season also featured a remarkable 15-game winning streak and a trip to the second round of the NCAA

Tournament.

McKeown's 10-year career record, which includes a three-year stint at New Mexico State, now stands at 225-80.

Men's rugby wins in Baltimore

The GW men's rugby club went on the road Saturday and defeated the University of Maryland-Baltimore County 19-9, improving its record to 2-1 this season.

UMBC got off to an early 6-0 lead, but the Colonials battled back and eventually gained control of the game. Kevin Morra tied the score at six just before the half, converting an assist from Steve Kim.

Kim also sparked GW in the second half, scoring off a ruck to give GW the lead. GW concluded a 19-0 scoring run when Jason Law converted a try to provide the Colonials with some insurance.

UMBC scored three points off a penalty kick late in the game, but the Colonials had already preserved their second straight victory.

"The forwards played great and the backs were there to support them," team member Kristian House said. "It was a well deserved win and it was good to see that no big fights broke out this time."

—Ben Osborne

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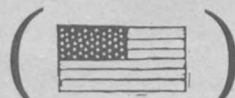
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